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Block Quotes

Monday, December 11, 2006

-- Liberal Imad Al-Saif commented in progressive Arabic daily Al-Qabas under the title "In their Homes" (12/11):

"I concur with what the Kuwaiti citizen Jaber Al-Jalahma said that he should file a law suit against the U.S. Secretary of Treasury in response to the claim that Al-Jalahma and others support terrorist activities.... I hope Jaber will follow his words through with actions and that his other brothers Hamed Al-Ali and Mubarak Al-Bathali will follow his lead. Facing such claims in Washington itself in such a respectable and civilized manner may slightly improve the image of the Arabs and Muslims in the world."

-- Under the title "Iranian Politics" Ghassan Suliman Al-Otaibi penned in progressive Arabic daily Al-Qabas (12/11):

"The situation in the region is worsening and deteriorating day by day. Iranian policies worry everyone in such a way that will lead the United States to use the Israeli military power against Tehran."

- -- Radical Shiite anti-U.S. former MP Dr. Abdul Mohsen Yousef Jamal inquired in progressive Arabic daily Al-Qabas under the title "And, from Her People, a Witness" (12/11):
- "At last, righteousness has prevailed and the dawn of truth has risen. The political confusion led by President Bush and his team of extremist right-wing Zionists is now clear... Will President Bush comprehend the recommendations of the Baker Committee? Will he have the courage to change his policy after claiming that God sent him to serve humanity and attack the evils of the world?"
- -- Liberal Kuwait University Political Science Professor, Dr. Shamlan Yousef Al-Issa inquired in pro-government Al-Seyassah under the title "Gulf States and NATO" (12/11):

"The question that everyone is asking is why do we need security cooperation with NATO when we, in the Gulf, have security agreements with the major powers, particularly the United States which is currently hegemonic and controls NATO?"

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